

"Attendance records have risen in the school and more students are found attending classes after the introduction of OLPC's. "

But, what has happened to the children of Atlas School and their XO's? The OLPC team that had been working with them wondered too. They went looking for the children and found them spending their days helping to support their families by selling fruits and vegetables in the market or picking through trash heaps looking for things to recycle. They found something else too...the XO's.

The children still had their laptops and carried them to their work every day. Whenever time permitted, they continued to learn and play with their laptops. They formed an XO Club and met in the evenings at each others homes to exchange ideas and show the new things they had discovered and created on their laptops.

The entire refugee community began to benefit from the laptops as the XO Club members took them to community meetings and allowed adults to use them to learn. They also shared them with their family members and other children, helping them to learn with their laptops.

The school remained closed last year but the former students continue to learn and progress thanks to their OLPC XO laptops loaded with learning software. The small investment of fewer than 30 XO laptops has changed the lives on an entire refugee community for the better.

You can learn more about the XO Learning Club and the children from Atlas School today:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PWk4bQu0UeE>

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